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ATF OFFERS REWARD IN GUN SHOP BURGLARY

Michigan Gun Dealer Burglarized of over 30 firearms

GRAND HAVEN, Mich. — The Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives (ATF) is offering a reward of up to \$5,000 for information leading to the arrest and conviction of the person(s) responsible for the theft of firearms from the federally licensed firearms dealer Felix's Marina & Guns, located at 14023 Green Street. The burglary occurred Friday, Aug. 10, during the early morning hours.

ATF has joined the Ottawa County Sheriff's Office in the investigation of the 30 or more firearms stolen, which include both semi-automatic assault-type rifles and handguns. This incident is the second break-in and theft of firearms from this dealer over the past 16 months.

Valerie J. Goddard, special agent in charge of ATF in Michigan said, "The theft of firearms from licensed gun dealers is a top priority for ATF. Our experience shows us that these guns quickly become used in violent crimes."

Because of the potential for violence, investigators are requesting the public's assistance in solving this crime. Anyone with information is asked to call either of the anonymous toll-free telephone numbers:

- ATF crime gun hotline at 1-800-ATF-GUNS (1-800-283.4867), or
- Ottawa County tip line at 1-800-825-0021.

ATF is the lead federal law enforcement agency with jurisdiction in violent crimes involving firearms, and regulates the firearms industry. More information on ATF and its programs is available at www.atf.gov.

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